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DEPARTMENT STORE INVENTORY PRICE INDEXES—Sep. 2005

National basis, January 1941=100, unless otherwise noted

	Indexes			Percent change to Sep. 2005 from—	
	Sep. 2004	Mar. 2005	Sep. 2005	Sep. 2004	Mar. 2005
1. Piece Goods	488.9	465.1	497.3	1.7	6.9
2. Domestics and Draperies	526.6	536.8	514.7	-2.3	-4.1
3. Women's and Children's Shoes	657.4	685.9	700.4	6.5	2.1
4. Men's Shoes	842.8	849.9	890.9	5.7	4.8
5. Infants' Wear	582.8	571.0	569.6	-2.3	-0.2
6. Women's Underwear	509.6	547.7	541.1	6.2	-1.2
7. Women's Hosiery	336.6	349.7	338.6	0.6	-3.2
8. Women's and Girls' Accessories	576.2	607.0	572.2	-0.7	-5.7
9. Women's Outerwear and Girls' Wear	371.0	375.9	364.0	-1.9	-3.2
10. Men's Clothing	531.2	564.8	532.9	0.3	-5.6
11. Men's Furnishings	567.1	587.0	561.0	-1.1	-4.4
12. Boys' Clothing and Furnishings	425.7	445.9	393.1	-7.7	-11.8
13. Jewelry	886.2	882.1	882.6	-0.4	0.1
14. Notions	797.8	777.7	807.4	1.2	3.8
15. Toilet Articles and Drugs	993.2	991.4	996.4	0.3	0.5
16. Furniture and Bedding	608.0	604.2	596.0	-2.0	-1.4
17. Floor Coverings	584.0	602.4	606.7	3.9	0.7
18. Housewares	711.7	712.2	703.4	-1.2	-1.2
19. Major Appliances	197.4	205.0	204.4	3.5	-0.3
20. Radio and Television	41.1	39.5	38.6	-6.1	-2.3
21. Recreation and Education ¹	79.9	79.6	77.4	-3.1	-2.8
22. Home Improvements ¹	128.9	137.3	136.4	5.8	-0.7
23. Automotive Accessories ¹	113.0	114.4	116.3	2.9	1.7
1-15. Soft Goods	559.8	572.2	559.6	0.0	-2.2
16-20. Durable Goods	379.8	381.1	377.0	-0.7	-1.1
21-23. Miscellaneous Goods ¹	93.0	94.0	92.8	-0.2	-1.3
Store Total ²	495.4	504.0	494.5	-0.2	-1.9

¹ Indexes on a January 1986=100 base.

² The Store Total index covers all departments, with the following exceptions: candy, food, liquor, tobacco, as well as contract departments.

NOTE: Indexes for previous periods and a brief description of the methods used in calculating the indexes may be obtained by contacting the Bureau of Labor Statistics at (202) 691-6968. The application of these indexes in the preparation of tax returns is solely within the jurisdiction of the Internal Revenue Service. Treasury Decision No. 5605 accords the use of the elective inventory method by taxpayers employing the retail inventory method.

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